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SUBJ: UNGA--LEGAL COMMITTEE--PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS

1. SANCHEZ GAVITO (MEXICO), SPEAKING ON BEHALF COSPONSORS OF PROPOSED NEW ARTICLE (TRANSMITTED USUN 3963) IN SIXTH COMMITTEE OCT 24, EXPLAINED REACH OF PROVISION CONFINED TO PARTIES OF ASYLUM TREATIES AND ASSURED COMMITTEE THAT

NON-PARTY STATES COULD NOT USE IT AS ESCAPE CLAUSE.

MEXICAN REP ENTREATED DELEGATES NOT TO USE SILENCE IN HAUGE
AND MONTREAL CONVENTIONS ON ASYLUM MATTER AS PRECEDENT
FOR PURPOSE PRESENT CONVENTION.

- 2. HOPEFUL OF COOPERATION FROM SIXTH COMITE ON LA REGIONAL CONCERN, SAHCHEZ GAVITO EXPRESSED BELIEFT THAT COMPROMISE ON POSITION POSSIBLE. SANCHEZ GAVITO EMPHASIZED ASYLUM TREATIES HAVE NEVER BEEN USED TO PROTECT THOSE WHO WOULD BE CONSIDERED CRIMINALS UNDER CONVENTION ON PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS.
- 3. DECISION ON ITEM SUSPENDED TEMPORARILY TO PERMIT LATIN AMERICAN COSPONSORS TO CONDUCT CONSULTATIONS.

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4. DISCUSSION ON ARTICLE 12 THEN RESUMED. US AMENDMENTS,

SUBMITTED PER USUN 4155, CONTAINED A/C.6/L.938, WAS CIRCULATED.

- 5. DELS THAT AGREED ON VIEW THAT SOME MECHANISM OF ARBITRATION OR CONCILIATION IN CONVENTION DESIRABLE (IMPLICITLY OPPOSING USSR AND CZECH AMENDMENTS TO DELETE ARTICLE 12) WERE JAPAN, FINLAND, DENMARK, FRG, MEXICO, COLOMBIA, SWITZERLAND, TURKEY AND PAKISTAN (LATTER TWO DELS EXPLICITLY OPPOSED SOVIET AND CZECH AMENDMENTS).
- 6. FAVORING SOVIET AND CZECH AMENDMENTS BECAUSE IT WOULD LEAVE STATES WITH FLEXIBILITY TO DECIDE UPON APPROPRIATE DISPUTE-SETTLEMENT PROCEDURE WERE GDR, UKRAINE, BULGARIA (NOTING THAT UN ARTICLE 33 BEST GUIDE TO SETTLING DISPUTES).
- 7. FOLLOWING SUPPORTED ALTERNATIVE B OF ARTICLE 12,
 PATTERNED AFTHER HAGUE AND MONTREAL FORMULA: JAPAN
 (US AMENDMENT IN LINE WITH ALTERNATIVE B BUT WEAKENS IT),
 DENMARK, PAKISTAN, FRG, GREECE (SIMPLER FORMULA), MEXICO,
 TURKEY, SWITZERLAND (BUT REGRETS CLAUSE INSERTED IN PARA 3
 TO PERMIT RESERVATIONS), BELGIUM, YUGOSLAVIA, AUSTRALIA.
- 8. ROMANIA FAVORED ALTERATIVE A WITH FOLLOWING CHANGES: DELETION OF PARA 3, ADDITION TO PARA 5 "WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT", AND EXCLUSION FROM ARA 6 PROVISION TO PREPARE REPORT ON PROCEEDINGS.
- 9. DELEGATION ACTIVELY SUPPORTING US AMENDMENT AS GOOD COMPROMISE TEXT WERE: FINLAND, COLOMBIA (MOST EFFECTIVE FORMULA), SWITZERLAND (STRENGTHENS MECHANISM WHILE FILLING GAP BY PROVIDING THIRD PARTY SETTLEMENT), AND TUNISIA (WITH AMENDMENTS REPORTED BELOW).
- 10. DELS COMMENTING FAVORABLY AND EXPRESSING WILLINGNESS TO GO ALONG WITH US AMENDMENT IF MAJORITY SO INCLINED WERE: JAPAN, DENMARK AND PAKISTAN.
- 11. FRG, TURKEY, BELGIUM, YUGOSLAVIA, AUSTRALIA, MEXICO AND FRANCE ALSO COMMENTED FAVORABLY ON US AMENDMENT AND PROMISED TO STUDY IT FURTHER (FRANCE, HOWEVER, RESERVING UNCLASSIFIED

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POSITION AND PROMISING TO SEEK INSTRUCTIONS).

12. US REP REQUESTED VIEWS ON TUNISIAN SUGGESTION THAT "OR CONCILIATION" BE ADDED TO ARTICLE 13 PROPOSED BY AS ADDITIONAL METHOD TO BE USED PRIOR TO SEEKING ARBITRATION. US REP ALSO SAID THAT IRAQI AND TUNISIAN PROPOSAL TO ENTRUST PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE WITH TASK OF NOMINATING CHAIRMAN OF CONCILIATION COMMISSION (RATHER THAN

UN SYG AS IN ALTERNATIVE A, PARA 1) WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE.

13. DISCUSSION ON ARTICLE 12 TO CONTINUE OCT 25.
CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED GROUP APPOINTED TO PRODUCE FIRST DRAFT
OF PREAMBLE OF CONVENTION TO MEET AFTERNOON OCT 24.
GROUP CONSISTS OF AUSTRIA, URUGUAY, GHANA, COLOMBIA,
POLAND, INDIA AND CHAIRMAN. FYI: WE HAVE PASSED IDEAS ON
PREAMBLE CONTAINED IN POSITION PAPER TO AUSTRIA AND INDIA.
END FYI.

14. COMMENT: ON WHOLE, US PROPOSAL ON DISPITE SETTLEMENT IS RECEIVING MORE FAVORABLE COMMENTS AND SUPPORT FROM WIDER QUARTERS THAN WE HAD ANTICIPATED WOULD BE THE CASE. SCALI

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